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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Lorraine
4 Fontana, who passed away on September 8, 2008; and

5 WHEREAS, Lorraine Fontana was born on June 25, 1948 in
6 Chicago Heights; she graduated from Bloom Township High School
7 in 1966; she then earned her associate's degree in computer
8 science from Prairie State College and her bachelor's degree in
9 information technology from Governors State University; and

10 WHEREAS, Lorraine Fontana was employed with AT&T for 30
11 years; starting her career as an operator in Harvey, she
12 concluded her career as a technical specialist in the billing
13 and network operations department, where she was well regarded
14 for her accomplishments and expertise; and

15 WHEREAS, Lorraine Fontana also worked as a tax preparer,
16 performing pro bono work as well as compensatory services; she
17 also taught information technology classes as an adjunct
18 professor at South Suburban College and Prairie State College;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, Lorraine Fontana was an active member in her
21 community; she served in a number of positions at her church,

1 the Infant Jesus of Prague of Flossmoor; at her church, she
2 served as a Eucharistic Minister at church services and to the
3 sick and domiciled, prepared meals for the homeless, and
4 delivered and donated clothing and food to the needy, among
5 many other activities; she participated as a volunteer in
6 community events such as Flossmoor Fest, the Bloom Township
7 Fund Raisers and Reunions, the Ladies Auxiliary of the Chicago
8 Heights VFW, and local events to raise money for cancer
9 research; she also participated in numerous legislative and
10 local village political campaigns and served as an election
11 judge in her precinct in Flossmoor; and

12 WHEREAS, Lorraine Fontana was a committed member of the
13 Hooved Animal Foundation, an organization that cares for the
14 welfare of horses; she actively worked to give horses good
15 homes at children's ranches and various responsible owners; and

16 WHEREAS, Lorraine Fontana was a member of the South
17 Suburban Computer Society and the Telephone Pioneers of
18 America; she also served as a fundraiser for the White Sox
19 Charities; and

20 WHEREAS, Lorraine Fontana's love of life and ability to
21 live it to the fullest endeared her to her family members,
22 friends, and all who knew her, and enabled her to enrich their
23 lives in ways they will never forget; therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
2 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
3 mourn, along with her family and friends, the passing of
4 Lorraine Fontana; and be it further

5 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
6 presented to the family of Lorraine Fontana as an expression of
7 our sympathy.